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Friends of Cornell University express the fear that because in the article in our last number on "Systems in Legal Education" credit was given to Cornell for inventing the term "coacentric system," a false impression may be created that the Cornell College of Law used that system. To correct any misapprehension on that score it should be stated that the Cornell School of Law has at least a *penchant* for the case system. We quote from a letter from Dean Frank Irvine on the subject:

"Pray do not consider us as 'wedded' to the case system, at least in the sense of pursuing the system exclusively or even as a cult. No system is imposed on the school. Every professor is free to pursue his own method. Every professor now here does use the case system, but in the first year work text books are used in connection with cases and I do not think that any member of this faculty believes that in its extreme form the case system is sufficient in itself."

## CONTEMPT OF COURT

That the American Courts of today have an ever-increasing amount of litigation before them and that they should not be unduly hindered by counsel; also that they will not allow careless practitioners to offend their dignity by making unnecessary delays in court proceedings, is the decided stand taken by the St. Louis Court of Appeals of Missouri in *In re Clark*, 103 S. W. Rep. 1105. The decision seems to be one more of the signs of the times and emphasizes the fact that delays are dangerous, in law as well as in the outside world.